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Following is a summary of the principal sermons recently delivered in the United States and Canada by the leading clergymen, priests, prelates, religious teachers and professors of the Christian faith. In every instance the text has been carefully read and abbreviated.

STATESMANSHIP—All that statesmanship now seems to mean is connected with the problems of knitting wires and of serving the ambitions of selfish politicians.—Dr. E. G. Hirsch, Hebrew, Chicago, Ill.

MANHOOD—Manhood is not indicated by years nor by stature. It manifests itself in deeds. We live in deeds, not in years; in thoughts, not in breaths. The life we live is the only sign of the presence or absence of manhood.—Rev. C. B. Mitchell, Methodist, Kansas City, Mo.

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT—Municipal employment should be given out at trades union wages and trades union hours. Under our present system the contract lobber brings in the cheap labor of the foreigner, and our native workmen walk the public streets in poverty.—Rev. W. D. Bliss, Christian Socialist, Boston, Mass.

THE BATTLE OF BRAINS—The future battles of the world will be battles of brains, not blood. The conquering race will be one that has such lines of hospitalitary and enterprise that it can outmanoeuvre the others. Let us prepare our Nation for the contest.—Rev. Frank Crane Methodist, Chicago, Ill.

PHILANTHROPY—The great modern philanthropists and benefactors of the race have been those who drew their inspiration and motives from the life and example of Christ, who alone exemplifies else, revealed the life everlasting and laid down His life that man might have it.—Rev. George D. Baker, Presbyterian, Philadelphia, Pa.

PRINCE AND PAUPER—There's nothing like being used to a thing. A man who rolls a wheelbarrow all day. It doesn't hurt him if he's used to it. He rather be a pauper and for him a prince than be a prince and feel like a pauper. It's a good deal now you feel about anything.—Rev. Sam Jones, Evangelist, of Boston, Mass.

ALMSGIVING—Real charity is not giving alms at the door or in the street or in the church vestibule. That is a curse to the giver and a disadvantage to the receiver. The new philanthropy consists in aiding a man to an occupation to be independent, to take more care of himself. To encourage poverty is sin to all manhood.—Rev. C. H. Eaton, Christian, New York City.

JOURNALISM—While the population of the United States has increased fourfold, the number of newspapers has increased thirty-fold. This means, of course, that there is knowledge that makes the world better. Ignorance is not innocence. A man who does not keep abreast of the times without reaching the perpetual impossibility of intuition.—J. C. Dana, Baptist, Denver, Colo.

THE GOSPEL—The Gospel is a power, but, like all other powers, the Gospel has conditions, and the condition imposed by the Gospel is faith and hope. If we do love the Gospel we will do what it always teaches. The aim of the Church and society is the salvation of man as taught by the Gospel, and our weapons is the Gospel.—Rev. Augustus Prichard, Presbyterian, Brooklyn.

PEACE—The arbitration treaty now pending between the Nation and Great Britain is of the mind, not so much of importance to avoid the great mischiefs of invention and enterprise that it may accumulate